sucessfully. Training is also imparted by the trained staff at the Chemistry section of the Agricultural College and Research Institute, Coimbatore, in the preparation of several fruit products. A scheme formulated for the establishment of a demonstration-*cum*-training centre for the extraction of cashewnut oil and manufacture of syrup, jam, etc., from cashew appple, is under consideration of the Government.

Agricultural research station

* 2093 *Q.*—SRI V. K. KOTHANDARAMAN : கனம் உள்துறை அமைச்சர் தயவுசெய்து கீழ்க்கண்ட கேள்விகளுக்குப் பதிலளிப்பாரா—

(அ) நமது ராஜ்யத்தில் விவசாய ஆராய்ச்சி நிலையம் ஆரம்பிக்க உத்தேசமுண்டா?

(இ) எங்கே, எப்போது ஆரம்பிக்கப்படும்?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : (அ) It is presumed that the information sought is in regard to the opening of new Agricultural Research Stations as Agricultural Research Stations are already existing in this State for a long time. Schemes for the establishment of two such stations are under the consideration of the Government. One is for the establishment of an Agricultural Experimental Station for the Ayacut area of the Amaravathi Project and the other is for the Ayacut area of the Parambikulam and Aliyar Project.

(இ) The location of the two Agricultural Experimental Stations has not yet been fixed. They will be started after their esablishment is approved by the Government.

SRI A. A. RASHEED : May I know the estimated cost of this Station, Sir?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : I do not have the particulars about the estimated cost of the station. But, I may tell the hon. Member that for each of the Stations about 50 acres will be taken. If it is Government land, preference will be given to it and that would be taken and the demonstration would be encouraged.

SRI P. S. CHINNADURAI : இந்த விவசாய ஆராய்ச்சிச்சாலையோடு மண்வள ஆராய்ச்சிச்சாலையும் இணைந்ததாகயிருக்குமா என அறிய விரும்புகிறேன்.

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : Yes, Sir. There will be a Soil Testing Unit attached to the Coimbatore Research Station.

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SRI K. PONNIAN : பரம்பிக்குளம்-ஆளியாறு ப்ராஜக்டில் விவசாய ஆராய்ச்சிப் பண்ணை எந்த இடத்தில் ஸ்தாபிக்கப்படுகிறது?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : ஏதாவது ஒரு இடத்தில் ஸ்தாபிக்கப்படும். ஐம்பது ஏக்கர் தகுதியான நிலம் வேண்டும். எந்த இடத்தில் ஸ்தாபித்தாலும் பரம்பிக்குளம்-ஆளியாறு பிராந்தியம் பூராவும் பயன்படும்.

Package Programme (Thanjavur district)

* 2094 *Q.*—SRI T. S. RAMASWAMI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Home be pleased to state—

(*a*) the additional quantity of fertilisers and cost of mechanical implements and technical assistance given during the last two years to the areas in Thanjavur District under the Package Programme, over and above the normal agricultural assistance given;

(*b*) the additional increase in foodgrains produced in the area; and

(*c*) percentage of increase per acre, per crop?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : (*a*) (*b*) *and* (*c*). A paper [a] is placed on the table of the House.

SRI T. S. RAMASWAMI : May I know whether the Government are satisfied with the results and whether the increase in production in the Package Deal area is commensurate with the expenditure?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : Yes, Sir. The Government are quite well satisfied with the results. Only day-before-yesterday, I have been discussing with the Collector. He told me that in this area the increase in production registered was from 5 per cent to 30 per cent over last year's production.

SRI A. A. RASHEED : From the statement placed on the table of the House, I find that a sum of Rs. 4,40,052 has been incurred on mechanical implements and technical assistance but the cost of additional quantity of fertilisers supplied has not been given? May I know the cost of the additional quantity of fertilisers supplied?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : I may inform the hon. Member that fertilisers are being *sold* to-day and they are not given gratis.

* 2095 *Q.*—SRI A. A. RASHEED : Will the Hon. the Minister for Home be pleased to state the result of Intensive Agricultural District Programme (Package Programme)?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : It is too early to assess the actual results of the Intensive Agricultural District Programme (Package Programme). Tentative results estimated in

[a] Printed as Appendix I on page 641 infra.